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July 30, 1974

The Honorable William Colby
Director of Central Intelligence
Washington, D. C. 20505

Dear Mr. Colby:

During the hearings of our Appropriations Committee on the National Aeronautics and Space Administration budget, the Committee expressed an interest in having more information about Soviet space programs.

The United States is now engaged in a series of cooperative efforts with the USSR involving space activities. The Apollo/Soyuz Test Program is well underway and follow-on activities are being explored.

In addition, your briefing before the Joint Economic Committee indicating an increased Soviet emphasis on space activities, provoked this Committee's interest.

In light of the relationship between the US and USSR space programs and the Committee's responsibility to make decisions affecting this relationship, I invite you or your designee to appear before us.

We would be most interested in a full briefing on the Soviet space program with emphasis on the following:

1. Manned space program
2. Planetary and deep space program
3. General level of technology compared to the US
4. Military applications of Soviet space program
5. Projections of future activities and program goals
6. Assessment of Soviet boosters, technical equipment, safety record for manned missions, success/failure statistics.

Sincerely,

William Proxmire, Chairman

HUD-Space-Science-Veterans Subcommittee

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To II: You may wish to raise at a future Morning Meeting and receive DCI guidance on the attached.

Executive Secretary
1 August 1974

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